

## **AnewAmerica Community Corporation Berkeley, CA**

Project Title Savings Incentives IDA Project

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AFI Grant Amount \$255,873

Nonfederal Support \$792,290

**Project Period** September 2004 – September 2009

**Highlights** AnewAmerica will expand its existing AFI-supported IDA

microenterprise program to offer IDAs to 145 new participants over five years. Participants are expected to save an average of \$62 to \$125 over 12 to 24 months. The project will match participant savings at a \$2 to \$1 rate, up to a maximum match of \$1,500 for an individual and \$3,000 for a household. In addition to offering savings incentives, the project will provide participants financial literacy training and

organize participant Savers Clubs.

**Target Population** Low-income immigrants in the San Francisco Bay Area of California,

including those eligible for the Temporary Assistance for Needy

Families (TANF) program.

Grantee/Collaborative Description AnewAmerica Community Corporation (formally the New America

Foundation) is a nonprofit community-based, asset-building

organization in the San Francisco Bay Area. AnewAmerica promotes

economic empowerment of new Americans (new citizens,

immigrants, and refugees) through training and technical assistance in microenterprise development and asset-building strategies. The organization's holistic approach to asset building hinges on three components: business incubation, savings incentives, and capital

access.

For the Savings Incentives IDA Project, AnewAmerica partners with two banks: Community Bank of the Bay and Washington Mutual.